
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT STATE OF CALIFORNIA



PROCLAMATION by the Governor of the State of California

WHEREAS, during the 1900's, California was struck by more than ten significant earthquakes, including the magnitude 7.1 Loma Prieta and the magnitude 6.7 Northridge earthquakes; and

WHEREAS, these earthquakes resulted in the loss of more than 800 lives and billions of dollars in property damage; and

WHEREAS, increasing awareness about earthquake safety _ risks in homes and workplaces and practicing the appropriate preparedness measures helps to reduce the loss of life, injuries and property damage; and

WHEREAS, the statewide "Ready to Ride it Out?" campaign is designed to educate the public about proper procedures to follow before, during and after an earthquake; and

WHEREAS, during April', the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, city and county emergency services offices, community organizations, educational institutions and businesses will provide important earthquake safety information to Californians;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GRAY DAVIS, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim April, 2002 as "California Earthquake Preparedness Month."



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 15th day of March 2002.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gray Davis".

Governor of California

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bill Jones".

Secretary of State